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For: AGENTS AND METHODS FOR PROMOTING PRODUCTION GAINS IN ANIMALS

**AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed April 11, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

**An Attachment** follows page 14 of this paper (Zhou et al.; Inhibitory Effects of Nitric Oxide and Nitrosative Stress on Dopamine- $\beta$ -Hydroxylase; The Journal of Biological Chemistry, Vol. 275, No. 28)